THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE P.S.NARAYANA

WRIT PETITION No.21825 of 2007

Dated:12.10.2007

Between:
M/s.Sree K.S.R. & Co.

… Petitioner

and

Government of India,
Rep.by its Secretary,
Ministry of Steel and Mines,
Department of Mines, New Delhi,
And others.

… Respondents

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ORDER:

The matter is coming up for admission. Learned Counsel Sri A.Radha Krishna, takes notice on behalf of respondent No.1. Learned Government Pleader for Industries takes notice on behalf of respondents 2 to 4.

The Writ Petition is filed for a writ of mandamus declaring the inaction of the respondents to renew the mining lease of mica in favour of the petitioner to an extent of Acs.69.27 cents in Survey No.143/P old Survey No.160 new in Kalichedu Village of Sydapuram Mandal in Nellore District, as arbitrary, illegal and violative of Articles 14 and 300-A of Constitution of India and contrary to the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957, and rules made thereunder, and consequently direct the respondents to renew the lease for a further period of 20 years and to pass such other order or orders as this Hon'ble may deed fit and proper in the circumstances

of the case.

It is stated that the renewal application of the petitioner dated 11.11.1996 praying for second renewal of the mining lease of mica in Survey No.143/P old Survey No.160 new in Kalichedu Village of Sydapuram Mandal in Nellore District, in favour of the petitioner is pending disposal, and despite repeated requests, the second respondent is not passing appropriate orders.

In the light of the facts and circumstances explained, the Writ Petition is disposed of directing the second respondent to consider and dispose of the renewal application of the petitioner dated 11.11.1996 in accordance with law within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

The Writ Petition is disposed of accordingly. There shall be no order as to costs.

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(**P.S.NARAYANA, J**)

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vs